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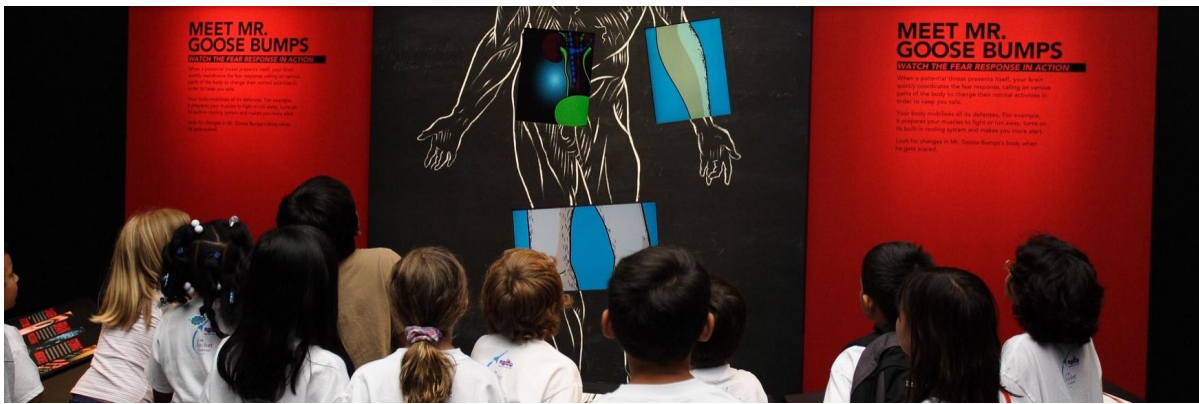
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**Science Center family, we hope that you and your loved ones are safe, healthy and continuing to learn. During these incredibly difficult times, your vital support enables the California Science Center to continue our mission to inspire science learning in everyone. As we adapt to challenges and find new ways to serve the community with educational programming and exhibits, we reaffirm our commitment to the Science Center's core values of accessibility and inclusiveness that are at the heart of everything we do.**

**THANK YOU!**

**EVER WONDER WHO DECIDES WHAT AN EXHIBIT IS ABOUT?**



Ever wonder how humans build structures, from pyramids to skyscrapers and suspension bridges that withstand the forces of time and nature; how aircraft and spacecraft utilize the principles of air, space and flight to fly and explore the stars; why all living things share the same life processes; and how everything is connected – plants, animals, people, weather, water, soil are part of a delicate balance.

California Science Center staff are ever curious about the world and love to wonder. This week, we launched the [Ever Wonder?](#) podcast hosted by Dr. Perry Roth-Johnson, Assistant Curator of Aerospace Science who chats with scientists, engineers, museum professionals and others to find answers to questions you might have wondered, too.

The first few episodes of this podcast will take you behind-the-scenes of the California Science Center to meet some of the people who design and develop both permanent and special exhibits. [Ever Wonder Who Decides What an Exhibit is About?](#) debuts the podcast featuring Dr. David Bibas, Curator for Technology Programs, who has been at the Science Center for 32 years designing exhibits, helping decide what they should be about, and shaping what kinds of experiences you as a guest will have in them. In this episode, Dr. Bibas shares insights of the highly collaborative exhibit development process of his favorite exhibition, [Goose Bumps! The Science of Fear](#).

**“It’s beyond talking about the emotion ... you’re experiencing the fear again. And that was one of the challenges, how you can create experiences that elicit fear, but at the same time it’s fun and scary, not going overboard.”**



Join us every other week for new episodes and subscribe to our show on Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, Spotify, or wherever you hear your podcasts.

Have a question you've been wondering about? We invite our Members and supporters to [Email](#) us to tell us what you'd like to hear in future episodes.

*Ever Wonder?* from the California Science Center is produced by Perry Roth-Johnson and Jennifer Castillo. The show is edited by Liz Roth-Johnson. Theme music provided by Michael Nickolas/Pond5.

## SCIENCE BEYOND THE CENTER



Missing your visits to the California Science Center? [Science Beyond the Center](#), a new online portal on our website, will give you special behind-the-scenes access to Science Center exhibits in ways you've never seen before.

How do ocean animals hear? Dive in to [Marine Senses Monday](#) and find out how ocean animals sense their watery world. So far, we've explored smell, taste, touch and sight – and hearing is new and on view this week!

You can also take tours through [Space Shuttle Endeavour](#) and hear exclusive interviews with astronauts. Explore amazing images and insights from our curators and find out how exhibits are made. And check out some videos from our traveling exhibitions. New content will be added regularly.

Bookmark the [Science Beyond the Center](#) page and check back often to see what's new!

## GIVE US YOUR OPINION ABOUT SPORTS!



*Retha Ferguson/Pexels*

The California Science Center is always thinking about new, engaging experiences for our guests. We are currently exploring sports as a theme for a future exhibition, with generous funding from the LA84 Foundation.

As Members, we very much value your input! Please share your thoughts and opinions about sports and fitness with us in this survey.

[Take the Survey](#)

## STUCK AT HOME SCIENCE

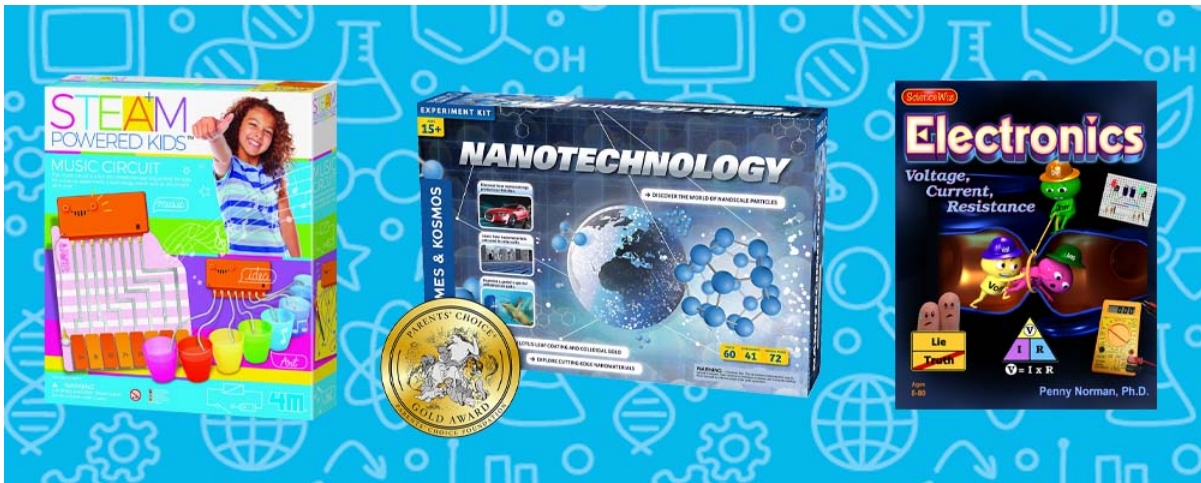


[Stuck at Home Science](#), developed in a collaboration of the California Science Center's diverse staff of content experts, educators and professional development team, is an online series of hands-on and age-appropriate science activities using supplies you can find at home. Activities feature videos and downloadable lessons that support the Next Generation Science Standards Science and Engineering Practices.

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